

Public Health Council (PHC)
June 19, 2006
NJ Department of Health & Senior Services
Auditorium-First Floor
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Present PHC members: Dr. Pallay, Mr. Yardley, Dr. Lewis, Dr. Harte, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Gross and Mr. San Filippo

Excused PHC members: Ms. Jacobs and Mr. Gogats

Staff: Dr. Eddy Bresnitz, Ruth Charbonneau, Alise Davis and Susan Dougherty, DAG

| Business | Discussion/Conclusion | Actions/Follow-up |
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| <p>I. Chairperson's Report - Dr. Pallay</p> <p>Minutes: June 19, 2006</p> | <p>Meeting called to order 10:00 AM</p> <p>Mr. San Filippo commented that the minutes are only informational. He suggested the minutes should include comments from the Council members. Ms. Davis stated that the transcript is available for detailed comments. The Chair suggested that members could request that a specific comment be included in the minutes. The Council members did not oppose this procedural recommendation.</p> <p>No other comments were received on the June 19, 2006 Minutes.</p> <p>Motion and vote.</p> <p>The Council discussed receipt of a letter from New Jersey Academy of Family Physicians (NJAFP) and concerns regarding the ordering and distribution policies employed by the manufacturers of the influenza vaccine. The Council commented on the distribution to public health sector, physician practices, local health departments, and retail outlets and the mechanism to reach the community both as to</p> | <p>See chart on page 6.</p> <p>The Council agreed to invite NJAFP to a future meeting to discuss their concerns and present specific ideas and recommendations to address their concerns.</p> |

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| | access and education. Dr. Bresnitz commented on vaccine distribution as a nationwide issue and working with national organizations such as the Association of State and Federal Health Officers. | |
| <p>III. Commissioner's Report – Dr. Eddy Bresnitz, Deputy Commissioner</p> <p>1. Update on CDC Bio-terrorism Co-op Agreement</p> | <p>The Department is currently writing applications for a CDC bio-terrorism co-op agreement and a flu pandemic supplement to a CDC co-op agreement. The Department is expecting a reduction of approximately five million dollars in its FY07 CDC budget. Federal dollars for preparedness or terrorism preparedness has gone down substantially.</p> <p>Dr. Bresnitz informed the Council that the Department held a conference on the human papilloma virus vaccine. FDA has approved the vaccine for females between the ages of nine and twenty-six, a three dose vaccine, at a cost of one hundred twenty dollars per dose. Merck is shipping it in the very near future, and ACIP is considering provisional recommendations for vaccine use.</p> <p>Dr. Bresnitz commented on the proposed immunization and registry rules. The Department is working on updated registry rules. Dr. Bresnitz commented on the new childhood requirements for vaccines for daycare and preschool children. This proposal has been submitted to the Office of Legal and Regulatory Affairs. The Department will report to the Council at a future meeting.</p> | Informational. |

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| <p>IV. Notice of Readoption of Existing Rule without Amendments Chapter XI, New Jersey State Sanitary Code, "Public Campgrounds" N.J.A.C. 8:22 - Anthony Monaco, Health Officer</p> | <p>Mr. Anthony Monaco, on behalf of NJDHSS, presented an overview of the Notice of Readoption of Existing Rule without Amendments Chapter XI, New Jersey State Sanitary Code, "Public Campgrounds" N.J.A.C. 8:22. Mr. Monaco commented that the existing standards in place are working effectively and the Department has no recommendations for change to this rule. The Department worked with the New Jersey Campgrounds Association to review existing standards and no recommendations for change were made. The Council made a motion, seconded and approved to move forward on the rule adoption.</p> <p>Motion and vote.</p> | <p>Informational.</p> <p>See chart on page 6.</p> |
| <p>VI. Update on By-laws Revisions - Susan Dougherty, DAG</p> | <p>Susan Dougherty, DAG, presented an overview on the By-laws as revised and recommended by the By-laws Committee. Dr. Campbell noted the existing membership of Council represents every health profession except nursing. DAG Dougherty noted a change to the statute would require a recommendation from the Council to the Legislature. Ms. Campbell recommended the appointment of a Master's prepared registered nurse to allow for individuals with public health knowledge and experience. The PHC discussed education and experience requirements with a recommendation that an individual possess a Baccalaureate degree with five years experience. The Council made a motion, seconded and approved to move forward on proposing language for final review</p> | <p>Informational.</p> |

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| | and submission to the Legislature. Motion and vote. | See chart on page 6. |
| VII. Update on Request to Adopt By-Laws - Dr. Pallay, Chair | The Council made a motion, seconded and approved the adoption of the By-laws. Motion and vote. | See chart on page 6. |
| VIII. Other Business | The Council discussed the opportunity to address the Governor regarding the budget reduction issues as it relates to public health. The Council made a motion, seconded and approved to draft a letter. Motion and vote Mr. Yardley, requested information on the updated legislative bill initiatives. | Ms. Ruth Charbonneau, Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs will provide the PHC with a copy of the budget specific to the Department. Ms. Charbonneau agreed to provide assistance in drafting a PHC letter addressing the impact of budget cuts on public health programs. See chart on page 6. The Department will distribute an updated legislative bill initiative list at the July's meeting. |
| IX. Next Meeting | July 10, 2006 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM at H & A Building, Trenton, New Jersey. | Informational. |

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CHART

1. Approval of March 13, 2006 minutes
Motion – Dr. Lewis, Second – Mr. Gross
2. Approval of Readoption of Existing Rule without Amendments Chapter XI, New Jersey State Sanitary Code, “Public Campgrounds” N.J.A.C. 8:22
Motion – Mr. Yardley, Second – Dr. Campbell
3. Approval of Letter for Legislature Suggesting that Section 26:1A-4 to be Amended to Include Master’s Prepared Registered Nurse with 5 Years Experience or Baccalaureate with 5 Years Experience
Motion – Dr. Campbell, Second – Mr. Yardley
4. Approval of Adoption for the Revised Bylaws
Motion – Dr. Lewis, Second – Mr. Gross
5. Approval of Letter to the Governor Addressing the Budget Reduction as it Relates to Public Health.
Motion – Dr. Harte, Second – Mr. Gross
6. Adjournment (voice vote)

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| VOTING COUNCIL MEMBER | ROLL | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| Dr. Pallay | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Dr. Lewis | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Dr. Harte | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Ms. Jacobs | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dr. Campbell | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Mr. Yardley | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Mr. Gross | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Mr. San Filippo | X | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Mr. Gogats | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Total | 7 | 7-Y | 7-Y | 7-Y | 7-Y | 7-Y |
| Total Absent | 2 | 0-N 0-A 2-(-) | 0-N 0-A 2-(-) | 0-N 0-A 2-(-) | 0-N 0-A 2-(-) | 0-N 0-A 2-(-) |

KEY: Y=YES N=NO A=ABSTAIN (-)=ABSENT

UPON REQUEST THE TRANSCRIPT OF JUNE 19, 2006 IS AVAILABLE